

HOLD FAST.

Those Republican members of the General Assembly who know that it is best for the party and for the State that Mr. J. E. Addicks should not be elected to the U. S. Senate should in no way be affected by the change of Messrs. Blakely, Ewing and Frizzell from the Regular ranks. It has been evident for some weeks that those gentlemen have been moving towards the Union forces. They have been erratic in their voting, refusing to co-operate with their colleagues. There may be others like them, though this is doubtful, who may change in the future in the same way, but men who see their duty plainly should stand firm. Mr. Addicks must be defeated; will be defeated.

It is a surprise that in his efforts to reach the Senate Mr. Addicks has ever gotten so far as he has. He came first as it were as a thief in the night—it was so stated in the Republican caucus, which elected Delaware's first Republican Senator—two men associates appealing for large considerations to prevent the naming in caucus of a Senator in 1898.

May 8, 1895, can never be forgotten when with fifteen votes solid for Col. Henry A. duPont and one more vote assuring his election, Mr. Addicks held four votes to defeat that election, and subsequently to elect Mr. R. H. Kenney. Those two acts, the one of 1898 when Mr. Addicks did not know three citizens of Kent or Sussex counties, and the one of May 9th, 1895, must defeat his senatorial aspirations. It must be done not only because of the acts themselves but because the man who did them is a constant threat to the State.

Why Mr. Addicks has so large a following is another story. We have asked in vain for a description of his qualifications as Senator and the only answer we ever had was: He has the money. This is one reason and another is the outrageous treatment which Delaware Republicans have received at the hands of Democrats. For years the Republican Party has suffered defeat through abominable assessment and tax laws, until the iron of despair has entered the souls of fair-minded Republicans until any relief is welcome. Such is the true situation, but the State must be spared a worse calamity—the election to the U. S. Senate of J. E. Addicks. Hold fast to the right.

THE Duke of Orleans thinks he doesn't want to play in France's backyard.

THE Spaniards still stick to the policy of manana. They are just beginning to talk of "killing their generals"—something which should have been done before they went to war.

WILL the Filipinos, who are being let out of Spanish prisons through the efforts of the United States, take the same view of the Americans as Aguinaldo who was bought once by the Spaniards, and is angry because he has not been bought again?

AN EXTRA session of Congress seems to be almost inevitable. Some of the appropriation bills are backward, but they can, perhaps, be hurried through by March 4. The President is anxious to get the army reorganization bill passed this session, if possible, but the Democrats think it "good politics" to oppose a large increase of the army. They will oppose it with spirit it is said, not only up to March 4, but also in the extra session, if one is called.

GENERAL disappointment and disapproval would be caused by a failure on the part of the House of Representatives to pass the bill which is designated to make George Dewey Admiral of the United States Navy. Whatever may be thought of the comparative claims of other officers to preferment, his title is unique and indisputable. The Senate has already passed the bill, and the house ought to lose no time in following its example.

THE election Saturday at Versailles of M. Emile Loubet to the Presidency of the French Republic by a vote of 483 to 279, to the evident disgust of the anti-Dreyfusite mob element, seems to show that a dangerous crisis has been successfully tide over. The Third Republic has survived its seventh election of a Chief Executive without collapse. This fact, in view of the large majority by which it was accomplished, cannot but renew the hopes of the friends of republican institutions.

IN FRANCE, it is said, the unexpected always happens. Now, the expectation was that M. Loubet would be elected. But then, that being expected that that expectation would be disappointed and the unexpected would happen. And this latter expectation was, of course, disappointed, and the truly unexpected—to wit, the election of the expected candidate—came to pass. So the expected was the unexpected, and so when the expected happened it was really the unexpected that happened. Which is as clear as mud.

THE proposition made by Senator Frye for facilitating the laying of a Pacific cable is worthy of careful consideration. It is to the effect that a cable shall be laid from our Pacific coast to Hawaii, Guam, the Philippines, China and Japan; to be finished to Hawaii by July 1, 1900, and to Manila by January 1, 1901; all Government messages are to be forever carried free, in case of war the Government is to take possession of the line, and in certain contingencies is to become its owner; for all of which the Govern-

ment is to pay the sum of \$2,000,000 in twenty yearly installments. If a better bargain can be made, let it be made. But in some way let us have the cable.

LE PRESIDENT EST MORT
VIVE LA LE PRESIDENT.
M. Francois Felix Faure, sixth president of the Third Republic of France, died suddenly of apoplexy at the Palace at ten o'clock last Thursday night, and on Saturday following his successor, M. Emile Loubet, was elected.

The death of President Faure was sudden and unexpected, of course, as all cases of apoplexy are. It is curious, and nevertheless true that all public events in France have a strange suddenness, and take spontaneously a dramatic character. Thus M. Faure's body lies in a salle des fetes, or hall festivities. The cards had been issued to six thousand persons to attend a state ball last Thursday. Today the tapestries of the ballroom have been taken down that the room may be hung in black. M. Faure had looked forward with delight to the Elisee being in 1900 the resort of sovereigns. The last letter he had from Emperor Nicho was an acceptance of his (Faure's) invitation. He took great pleasure also in thinking that membership in the Order of the Annunciation would make him a "compatriot" of King Humbert, and the insignia of that order were to have been presented to him by a special emissary this month. But his soul was suddenly required of him and all connected with his Presidential career is over. His death preaches a sermon upon the vanity of human ambition.

ACCORDING to a dispatch from Rome it would appear that the Pope has at length issued his letter to the American clergy on the subject of the book known as the "Life of Father Hecker," a volume to which Archbishop Ireland has written the preface. While Leo XIII strongly condemns the doctrine advanced by Father Hecker, which are opposed to the dogma and discipline of the Roman Catholic Church, he appears anxious to explain that he sees nothing objectionable in what is known as "Americanism," in so far as it implies the fulfillment of one's obligations as a good and patriotic citizen of the United States and at the same time as a loyal son of the Church.

COUNT D'ALMENAS was dubbed "a contemptible calumniator" by his military colleagues in the Spanish Senate for his declaration that the army of Spain was "an army of lions led by asses;" nevertheless, the galleries seemed to coincide with the Count, and his expression of surprise that months had elapsed since the surrender of Santiago and "not a single general had been shot" disclosed the streak of ferocity which exists in the Spanish national character. It has been said that Africa begins on the south side of the Pyrenees; at any rate the Spanish notion that defeat must be atoned for with the blood of the unsuccessful general is peculiarly barbarous, and it is because of this inhuman trait that other Europeans are in the habit of mentally associating the Spaniards with uncivilized nations like the Moors, Turks or Chinese.

JUDGE FISHER.
OWING to absence of the editor from the office of the TRANSCRIPT last week failed to note the death of Hon. George P. Fisher which occurred at Washington, D. C., Feb. 10th. For years Judge Fisher has been prominent in the affairs of this State, and a more genial and affable gentleman one seldom meets. Because of his years he has not been so prominent recently, but his charming personality must long be remembered. Those who knew him feel that they have lost a friend.

The following interesting sketch is clipped from an exchange:
DEATH OF GEORGE P. FISHER.
Hon. George Purnell Fisher died in Washington on Friday Feb. 10th. He was born in Milford on October 13, 1817. He attended the school in the neighborhood until he was 17 years old, when he went to St. Mary's College, Baltimore. He remained at the institution but one year and then entered the sophomore class of Dickinson College, where he graduated in 1838. He then went to Dover, where he studied law with John M. Clayton and at the time taught school there. He was admitted to practice in 1841 at Georgetown and opened an office in Dover, where he soon gained a good practice. When John M. Clayton was appointed Secretary of State Mr. Fisher entered public life by becoming his private secretary. In Washington Mr. Fisher attracted considerable attention by his ability, and President Taylor sent him on a mission to Brazil to adjudicate certain claims held by citizens of this country against Brazil. He accomplished the work and returned to this country in 1852.

Mr. Fisher then went to Dover and resumed the practice of law. In 1855 he was appointed attorney-general of the State by Gov. Causey and at the end of that time was elected to Congress by the People's party. He was elected to the U. S. Senate in 1868, but was defeated. While in Congress his ability attracted the attention of President Lincoln and in 1868 he was appointed by Mr. Lincoln to be associate judge of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. He retained this position until 1870, when he resigned to become district attorney of the District of Columbia, to which position he was appointed by President Grant. After his term of office had expired he returned to Delaware and practiced law until the time of the Harrison administration, when he was made first auditor of the treasury. After that time he held no other office and removed to Milford. When the Delaware Cavalry was organized in this State during the civil war, he was made colonel, but declined on account of having been appointed judge.

Mr. Fisher married Miss Eliza A. McColey, the daughter of Rev. T. P. McColey, in 1840. He was always active in Republican politics and was generally looked upon as a man of more than ordinary ability.

THERE are five old people in Madison County, Ind., whose ages aggregate 534 years. They are Alexander Ferguson, Mrs. Bettie Carroll, Thomas Wells, Monroe Jedges and William Blackburn, aged respectively 107, 111, 106 and 104 years.

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MY MARYLAND.
The national banks of Centerville have been very kind to those who had not done last week and who were unable to attend to them. The banks would not protest the notes.

Colonel William P. Lane of the First Maryland Regiment U. S. A., now in camp at Augusta, Ga., has been officially notified from Washington that the 28th of February has been fixed upon by the War Department for his mustering out of the regiment.

James Lee McGowan, died at his home in North East on Sunday, 12th inst., of diabetes, aged 35 years. Mr. McGowan, who has been a resident of North East for over a year, was formerly of Baltimore. He was a son of Mr. Harry McGowan, proprietor of Point Breeze summer resort. A widow and one son, aged 12 years, survive him.

Farmers report the severe weather as having been very trying upon young lambs. Mr. J. Walter Skirven states that he had over fifty when the cold spell set in, and it was a most difficult matter to prevent the younger ones from being frozen. Other farmers give similar reports. Mr. Geo. S. Biddle lost twenty five young pigs—Chesertown Transcript.

Mrs. Caroline D. Orr, widow of James Orr, died in Port Deposit Saturday night in the eighty first year of her age. She leaves two sons and four daughters. Messrs. W. B. Orr and W. C. Van Fleet, Mrs. J. Dixon West, Mrs. C. W. Van Fleet, Mrs. E. L. Gilligan and Miss Fannie Orr. She also leaves eight grand children and five great-grand children.

The Maryland Game and Fish Protective Association has sent advertisements to papers in Raleigh, N. C., Nashville, Tenn., and Atlanta, Ga., for stock partridges. President Pennington stated that he had received orders for 800 birds and thought the orders would soon amount to 5,000 or more, as most of the partridges have died from exposure.

Eight crows were caught at one time during the freeze in the chicken coop of Mrs. T. W. Seabree. The black crows were hungry and had gone to the coop to share the food of the chickens. Four were killed and the servant girl took the others for pets. Buzzards grow very tame and frequently alighted in back yards, looking for food—Salisbury Advertiser.

The Maryland Eraporing Company has been organized in Baltimore. Nearly all common vegetables are to be used in the process. Vegetables of all kinds, when the water—which forms the greater bulk—is extracted, will keep an indefinite length of time. When ready to use the water is restored by soaking, and they are cooked as fresh vegetables are cooked.

Mr. Ebenezer Turpin Bennett died last Sunday morning at his home in Baron Creek district, near Mardela Springs, aged 70 years. His remains were prepared for burial but not interred until Friday morning, in the burial grounds of the Methodist Protestant church, at Riverton, after funeral services by Rev. Mr. Jester at St. Andrew's church, the little place of worship near his home. Interment was delayed because of the impassable condition of the roads.

The annual report of the Lunacy Commission, just submitted to Governor Townsend, shows the total number of insane in the various state institutions at the close of the fiscal year November 30, 1898, to be 2,382. There are 1,165 males and 1,217 females. These are distributed in the different classes of institution as follows: four state and city hospitals, 1,162; seven private and corporate institutions, 770; four county asylums, 307; fifteen county almshouses, 152.

Jeremiah McDonnell, a farmer of Talbot county has been overwhelmed with misfortune the last three weeks. The first week three of his children died of diphtheria; the second week his barns, stables and agricultural implements were destroyed by fire; last Friday night his home was burned to the ground, and he and his wife and their remaining child narrowly escaped. They were nearly frozen before they could reach a neighbor's house, as they had little on but their night night clothes.

Mr. John Metzloff was working on the Queen Anne's Railroad, Thursday, had a very close call from death on his way home at 8:30 p.m. He left the pier and started for his home. When he reached the residence of Rev. A. B. Bate he got into a snow bank and could not release himself. He remained in the snow bank until 12 o'clock when he was found by his brother, Mr. Chas. Metzloff, who carried him home. John was soaking wet and numbed, and only by hard work that he was revived.

Many years ago George Percy, oldest son of the Duke of Cumberland, came to America and was wedded in Baltimore to a Miss Aisquith. American girls had not at that time acquired their present popularity with the noble families of the Old World, and when the young man returned to England his family refused to recognize him. He returned to America, where he spent the remainder of his life. He left two sons, Algernon Percy, of Vienna, and George Percy, father of Mr. George Richard Percy, of Cambridge. Accordingly William A. Percy, of Vienna, is the Duke, while our townsman, in England, has succeeded to the title which his father bore as second son of the Duke of Cumberland, probably have conferred an earldom upon him.—Cambridge Chronicle.

RENT COUNTRY.
A Dover preacher suggests that women should remember that Adam was made first and that all the angels are not of the female sex.

Sunday evening a slight break was discovered in the mill dam at Hockessin on the State road about four miles from Smyrna. Fortunately the break was observed in time to keep the bridge from being washed away and the necessary precaution has been taken to strengthen the dam for the time being or until further repairs can be made. Had the dam have burst it would have caused much inconvenience to those using the State road between Smyrna and Dover.—Smyrna Call.

It was about one year ago since William N. B. was accompanied by Francis Shure Brown, the Philadelphia attorney, walked into United States Marshal Shure's office and surrendered himself on the charge of embezzling, abstracting and misapplying the funds of the First National Bank of Dover. Since the return of Boggs Colonel B. has been confined and abetting him have been convicted of aiding and abetting him in the embezzling of the funds of the bank and sentenced. Senator E. E. Kenney has been twice tried, the jury disagreeing each time; Boggs and Shure pleaded guilty and were sentenced to life imprisonment. The trial of Butler and of Frank Allen are awaiting trial. These cases are still to be disposed of, as is also the case of Senator Kenney. District Attorney Vandergriff is still awaiting word from the Department of Justice at Washington as to what action to take in the Kenney case.

DELAWARE CITY.
Miss Louise Everett has returned from a visit to friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson are sojourning in Philadelphia.

Prof. McGraw and one of his assistants, both of the Bunyan's Pilgrim Band, were in town this week.

Mrs. Conrad gave Mr. Charles Wilson a surprise party on the evening of his birthday which was Tuesday. The house was crowded with friends and the evening was spent in merry feasts and music. Mrs. Conrad and Miss Eva Beck were the musicians. Later, refreshments were served and the guests sought their respective homes well pleased with the evening's pleasure.

The supper by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church was postponed.

The Old Fellows gave a supper in Central hall on Wednesday evening, celebrating Washington's Birthday. This lodge, Patrick Henry, has been in existence since the year 1847.

The Right Rev. Bishop Coleman preached in Christ Church on Monday evening. The visiting clergymen will be here on Monday evening, during Lent. Next week, February 27th, Rev. Mr. Schouler will officiate.

The evening the Literary Society met at Miss Natalie Reynolds's a spelling bee was part of the program, and one of the gentlemen proved the successful speller. At a spelling bee mentioned in a recent number of the Normal Instructor, a lady 55 years of age, spelled every word correctly. She had been unable to read for years, but trusted to her school day memory, which served her royally. The words were given from an ordinary spelling book.

Mrs. Richard Outburt, who has been visiting her sister in law, Mrs. H. S. Thompson, has returned to her home in Reisterstown, Md.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a Commemorative Meeting in memory of Miss Frances Willard, on Monday evening in the M. E. Chapel. A special program has been arranged in which the Lord's Prayer will be recited, and solos will be sung by Mrs. John Schuender, Jr., and Mrs. Clayton Von Culm. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. H. S. Thompson was a visitor to Wilmington on Wednesday.

Mrs. H. C. Johannes is convalescing from an illness of several weeks.

Mr. N. George Price and family will reside in the Roman house.

Washington's Birthday was observed by the schools. The colored school held one session. The stores were open, but the postoffice was closed except at mail time.

Mrs. Anna Lofland has accepted a position in Philadelphia.

Norman Cleaver has returned to Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Warner entertained the Literary Society Tuesday evening.

Miss Martindale and Thompson were over Sunday visitors at the M. E. Parsonage.

Mrs. N. George Price spent Monday in Wilmington.

Mrs. F. T. Eagle, of New Castle, visited Mrs. Ogle this week.

Efforts were made to break the ice in the canal on Wednesday afternoon and as soon as this is accomplished it will be open for trade as the repairs have been completed.

C. VonCulin has opened an incubator shop in town.

Messrs. E. C. Reynolds, John Warren and Thomas Swan were delegates from the Delaware City Council to the convention of the Jr. O. U. A., held in Wilmington Monday night.

Miss J. W. J. Marley spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Miss Emma Olive is home from Philadelphia as her uncle, Mr. Joseph Endicott, is quite sick.

Mrs. Dempsey and family are visiting in Dover.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.
Notes for the Week Beginning Feb. 20, "What True Christians."
Text, Ps. xvii, 12-15.

"The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree." Few objects are more beautifully majestic than the palm. The charm of the tropical landscape is greatly enhanced by the towering fronds of palms lifted high above the luxuriance of tangled jungles of shrubs and vines. So, says the Bible, does a Christian man appear in the mass of men. What dignity and power there is in a life like that of David Livingstone, of Bishop Hannington of Uganda, of Judson of Burma or of Chinese Gordon, of Havellock and the heroes of the Christian faith of many lands and times!

Whoever comes to know the truth can quickly assure himself of the fact that during the ages past as well as today the man who prospers most and the people who achieve most substantial success and progress are those who maintain the highest moral integrity. The man who discharges truth and the rights of others, the people who indulge in oppression, fraud and violence, may for a little while acquire an advantage over others, but in the long run they weaken themselves and will invariably fail.

Permanent wealth cannot be acquired by gambling or theft. Industry and frugality alone lay the foundations of stable fortunes. Experience teaches this, reason approves it.

Happiness is an element of all human advancement. No man or people are flourishing unless there are contentment of spirit and joyousness in the life. Happiness was never known to rest in the heart of one doing evil. No people can be prosperous and contented who are fraudulent and dishonest.

Today in all the higher circles of trade the honest yard and honest dollar are recognized as necessities. Over all other considerations of self approval and the regard of fellow men rises the fact that the appreciation of God in the most essential thing to the human heart. He is pure and just and good. His blessing is on righteousness only. His mercies are over all, even the evil, but His promises of peace and prosperity are only to the upright in heart and life.

However iniquity may seem to abound no lie prospers and no fraud is stable. From the vantage ground of heaven we shall look back and see in human history that righteousness alone has been prosperous. "Trust in the Lord and do good; so shall thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed."

Self Seeking.
It is not easy, even for a follower of Christ, to humble himself and accept second place. Many renounce the world who are never able to renounce self. They are not blind to the importance of humility in others, but they are content to live without this personal adornment for themselves. They condemn selfishness in others, while they unwittingly or secretly foster this un-Christian spirit in their own hearts. It is no easy matter to purge out this leaven of unrighteousness.—Lutheran Observer.

WANAMAKER'S.
Philadelphia, Monday, February 20, 1899.

"When I was first married," said a lady friend of the store, "shopping was pretty serious work. Our income was small; needs a plenty. But what of that? The stores were relentless. Some were notable for high prices; others catered to 'popular trade.' But one had to decide for keeps. Stores didn't take goods back; very seldom even allowed exchanges for other goods. If, in poor light and under the gaze of a salesperson that 'just looked through' one, a mistake choice was made, my poor little allowance shrunk by that much if I gave the goods away, or I had something that seemed to last forever because I loathed its sight."

"Wanamaker's came into existence and with it a spirit of liberality—a seemingly whole-souled desire to please. But it is useless to repeat this part. Everybody knows that what is bought in haste or in error can be taken back, and shopping is really a pleasure."

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Shoe store, that turned thousands of pairs of good solid shoes to the government's use when even manufacturers halted.

And so on—the whole one system, one ownership, one vast help full store.

Authors gain a public—a clientele not of owned adherents, but of satisfied readers.

The store has gained its public—not of blind dependents, but of purse-string holders who have proved it. Fine threads, spun by sympathy and twisted by a real affection, draw Our Public to us.

This Public grows in numbers—is growing faster now than at any date in the store's history. The reinforcements come from among our own neighbors who have had this fact forced home to them: That this store is

CURRENT EVENTS.
Baltimore, Md., Feb. 22.—The British steamship Victoria, Captain Weatherall, arrived to-day from Hull via Hampton Roads, with four of the crew of the missing Hamburg-American liner Bulgaria.

They were picked up by the Victoria from an open boat of the Bulgaria three and a half hours after they had been cast adrift, in latitude 40 north; longitude 43 west, on February 5th.

91 PERSONS MAY HAVE PERISHED.
These, with the 25 women and children who were picked up by the tank steamer Weehawken, and landed in Punta Delgada, Azore Islands, a week ago, are all that have been heard from of the crew of 89 men and 41 passengers which the Bulgaria had aboard when she sailed from New York for Bremen, January 28th.

Captain Weatherall said that he sighted the Bulgaria, in a disabled condition, at 7 A. M., February 5th, flags flying, and the tank steamer Weehawken standing by and communicating with her.

There was a heavy sea on and his vessel drifted away from the disabled craft, but he steamed toward her and again located her.

THE BULGARIA REAPPEARS.
Captain Weatherall would not abandon hope of being of assistance to those on board the ill-fated vessel, and remained in sight of her until night-fall, when a perfect hurricane arose and carried the waiting ship miles away. In the morning the Bulgaria was not to be seen, and the Victoria proceeded on her journey.

AT THE MEET OF THE G. A. M.
On February 1, at about 8 P. M., said the "Baltimore" who serves a nature was encountered that it was found impossible to make any headway, and at 2 A. M., the following day we were forced to leave. The flying bridges, both fore and aft, were carried away and seamen and passengers were afraid to venture on deck for fear of being swept into the sea.

"About 7 A. M. the spring in the rudder, which was used to break the strain of heavy seas, collapsed and soon afterward the entire steering gear was washed away. The steamer then fell in the trough and was left a toy at the mercy of the wind and waves."

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1 Package Corn Starch.....	50c	1 Package Corn Starch.....	6c
1 lb. Clear Starch.....	50c	1 lb. Clear Starch.....	5c
1 lb. Rice.....	80c	1 lb Rice.....	8c
1 lb. Pepper.....	50c	1 lb. Pepper.....	5c
1 lb. Washing Soda.....	20c	1 lb. Washing Soda.....	2c
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Middletown Council, No. 2, J. O. U. A. M. Meets every Monday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

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Hamon Lodge, No. 2, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. Meets every Friday night in Reynolds Building at 7 o'clock.

Welcome Conclave Heptasophs, Meets every second and fourth Friday night in K. of P. Hall.

Union Lodge, No. 4, A. O. U. W. Meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday night in McWhorter's Hall.

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., FEB. 25, 1899

Improbable—"There's one thing," said

the misanthrope's wife, "that I must

say about that man you dislike so much.

He always gets up early in the morning

and cleans the snow off in a public-spirited way."

"Yes," was the answer. "He couldn't

miss the satisfaction of annoying people by

the noise the shovel makes."—Washington Star.

TO FIRST VOTERS.

There is a constitutional provision which

will become operative before the next general

election is held, of which the general

public may not be aware, although it

has been published in connection

with the Constitutional Convention. It is an

educational test. It is "that no person

who becomes of age or who is naturalized

after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted

to vote who shall not be able to read the

Constitution in English, and be capable of

writing his name."

Different Viewpoints.

Not only does it make a difference

from what standpoint a subject is

viewed, but it makes even a greater

difference who stands at that point to

take the view.—Lutheran Observer.

No Night There.

In heaven above there is no night

To shroud the light in gloom.

For God is there, and He is light,

And He is the heaven illumined.

No night of sorrow spreads a shade

To pull the sunny hours.

For joy is there that never fades

And never loses their flowers.

There is no night of weeping there

For tears have ceased and every care

And with them grieving sighs.

No night of trial there descends

To cast its shadows dun.

For there the Christian's battle ends,

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topic for the Week Beginning Feb. 12, 1900 is "Practical Christianity."

Text, Luke xv. 1-10.

"This man receiveth sinners and eateth with them."

There are many who admire purity

and desire to be clean. The most natural

feeling to all such is dislike of the

impure and shunning from the unclean.

Can one handle coals and his hands not

be soiled? Can one wade in mud and

keep his garments unspotted? How

much less can one keep company with

the vile, hearing their talk and seeing

their actions, and remain clean in speech

and uncorrupted in thought. "Unions

of Christians corrupt good manners."

So to the Pharisees it seemed a

proof of unholiness in Jesus when he

made friends with the common people.

Filth breeds disease and death, and

disease is contagious and deadly. Spiritual

evil is the worst of all. How, then, can

the pure come in contact with the pol-

luted without becoming filthy unclean?

There is power in life and good to

transform the noxious into the whole-

some. Life can grow in mire and

transmute muck into beauty and fragrance.

Holiness can touch sin and not only

be unaccompanied itself, but also

send the thrill of power and sweetness

into the bad. Evil can be overcome of

good. Fire can make the blackness to

glow with light and burn out all dross.

No joy in this world is comparable to

the pleasure of being pure and right,

loving and gentle, except that glory of

imparting one's own purity and right-

ness, of communicating love and gen-

teleness to others who have been hateful

and passionate. An uplift of soul, an

enthusiasm of sacrifice, drives one for-

ward, careless of pain, forgetful of self,

only so that the lost one be saved. Fear

is the first of the sins, and all feeling

is merged in the exaltation of self

giving, of conquest of the evil by the

pure.

This uplift is felt not only by Jesus,

but by every one of His followers who

transcends. It is shared by all the heav-

ily hosts. "There is joy in the pres-

ence of the angels of God over one

sinner that repenteth."

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"FLOOR BOARDS IN HIVES."

How They May Be Loose Usually, but

Fastened When Necessary.

Some hives have the floor boards of

bottoms fast, and some have them loose.

There are times when one kind better,

and times when the other is better. In

view of these facts, Dr. C. C. Miller gives

the following information in The National

Stockman and Farmer:

In the spring of the year it is often

desirable to clean the dead bees and flit

off the hive. At such times, if the bottom

is nailed on, there is no way of making

a clean job of it but to take all the

bees and combs out of the hive, a trou-

blesome job and sometimes resulting in

injury to colony, especially if the weather

is cold. If the floor board be loose, it

is an easy thing to raise the hive and

put a clean floor board in place of the

dirty one, then after the dirty one is

cleaned it can be given to another hive,

and so on. The practice of tying up

hives, having them two or more stories

high, is becoming more and more com-

mon all the time, and there is no possi-

bility of doing this unless the floor

board be separate from the hive.

There are, however, times when it is

very desirable to have the floor boards

secured to the hive. Those who haul

hives to and from out-apiaries must have

the floor fast to the hive, so there is no

danger of bees getting out. There may

be other times when it is necessary to

have the floor fast to the hive, but most

of the time I would rather have the

floor separate.

It is not a very hard thing to have

hives so made that the floors shall be

loose most of the time, but fastened

securely to the hive when needed. For-

merly I fastened the floors to my hives


with screws when I wanted to haul

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